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THE 2013 STATE OF THE UNION

Wednesday, February 13, 2013
9:00a.m. Thailand Time

WATCH LIVE

President Obama will deliver the annual State of the Union address at the House Chamber of the U.S. Congress on Wednesday, February 13, 2013 at 9:00a.m. Thailand Time (Tuesday, February 12 at 21:00 EST). Join us for a live webcast of this important speech as he outlines key priorities to a joint session of the 113th Congress.



Watch and discuss President Obama's achievements over the past year as well as his vision for America in 2013! Live webcast URL: <http://conx.state.gov/digital-diplomacy>. This will be an interactive video webcast in English. Follow the conversation on Twitter by using the hashtag #SOTU.

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During the Speech

Watch an enhanced version of the President's speech with charts, graphs and data only on WhiteHouse.gov. Use the hashtag #SOTU.

After the Speech

Stay tuned for a live panel with White House policy experts after the speech, and submit questions on twitter with #WHChat.

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SELECTED READINGS

"Why This State of the Union Is Important"

George E. Condon Jr. *National Journal*, February 7, 2013.

For once, a State of the Union address matters. It could be President Obama's last chance to lay out his second-term vision. Will it be his last chance to reach a large swath of the American public before his influence in Congress ebbs? The author previews the address and provides insight and analysis of President Obama's agenda for his second term.

Full article is available at: <http://www.nationaljournal.com/member/magazine/why-this-state-of-the-union-address-matters-for-obama-20130207>

"Brookings Expert Roundtable on President Obama's State of the Union Priorities"

Sarah A. Binder, et al. The Brookings Institution, February 7, 2013.

President Obama will deliver the first State of the Union speech of his second term on February 12, outlining his policy agenda and priorities for the next four years. Brookings experts examine the issues facing the nation, and discuss the areas on which President Obama should be focusing.

Available in audio only: <http://www.brookings.edu/blogs/up-front/posts/2013/02/07-state-of-the-union-roundtable> (31:47)

"Issue Guide: 2013 State of the Union Address"

Michael Greenstone, et al. Council on Foreign Relations, February 7, 2013

President Barack Obama will deliver his fourth State of the Union address to a joint session of Congress on February 12. While the president alluded to key legislative priorities in his domestic policy-heavy second inaugural address, he's expected to provide "details and blueprints" (WaPo) for his second-term agenda on Tuesday night. CFR experts offer a guide to understanding issues high on the president's priorities list.

Full text is available at: <http://www.cfr.org/presidency/issue-guide-2013-state-union-address/p29943>

WEB RESOURCES

White House

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/state-of-the-union-2013>

C-SPAN

<http://www.c-span.org/SOTU>

Congressional Research Service FAQ

<http://www.senate.gov/reference/resources/pdf/RS20021.pdf>

House History of the State of the Union Address

<http://history.house.gov/Institution/SOTU/State-of-the-Union>

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